

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	:	Tsuruo, et al.)	Group Art Unit 1654
Appl. No.	:	09/221,931)	
Filed	:	December 28, 1998)	
For	:	TELOMERASE INHIBITOR)	
Examiner	:	M. Borin)	

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 29, 1999 (Paper number 11), regarding the above-captioned application.

Claims 11 and 17-20 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by Naasani. Naasani was published on December 28, 1998, which is later than the priority date of the present application, December 26, 1997. Applicant herein provides the attached verified translation of the priority Japanese document (No. 361282/1997) which satisfies the requirement for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119. The certified copy of the priority document has been made of record. Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of this rejection.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any remaining concerns which might prevent the prompt allowance of the application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number appearing below.


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Respectfully submitted,

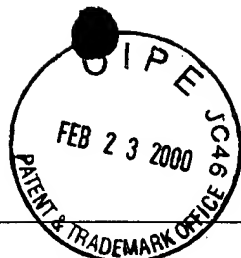
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

(X) An extension of time to respond for 2 month(s) is hereby requested.

Time Extension Fee:

(X) two months (\$380 large entity)

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS FILED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
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Information Disclosure Filing Fee					= \$240
Time Extension Fee					\$380
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$620

(X) Response to Office Action in two (2) pages.

(X) Information Disclosure Statement; PTO-1994 with fifteen (15) references.

(X) English Translation of the Japanese Patent Application No. 361282/1997 filed December 26, 1997 with the Verification of Translation.

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